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EYES ONLY FOR AMBASSADOR MALCOLM TOON FROM WARNKE

- 1. BECAUSE OF PRESSURES INVOLVED IN SALT AND CTB PLANNING, DEPUTY HEAD OF DELEGATION GELB AND SOME OTHERS WILL BE UNABLE TO PARTICIPATE IN INDIAN OCEAN TALKS DECEMBER 1 THROUGH 10. ACCORDINGLY, REQUEST EMBASSY MEET WITH AMBASSADOR MENDELEVICH AND PASS ON FOLLOWING PERSONAL MESSAGE FROM WARNKE: BEGIN TEXT.
- 2. AS YOU KNOW, PRESENT STATUS OF SALT TALKS IS REQUIRING DETAILED ATTENTION HERE. IN ADDITION, THE CTB NEGOTIATIONS SECRET

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ARE AT AN IMPORTANT STAGE AS THE DECEMBER 5 DATE FOR RECONVENING APPROACHES. ACCORDINGLY, DEPUTY HEAD OF OUR DELEGATION GELB AND SOME OTHER MEMBERS OF DELEGATION ARE UNABLE TO PARTICIPATE IN BERN TALKS DECEMBER 1 THROUGH 10. ON THE WHOLE, IT MAY BE THAT WE BOTH WOULD BE IN A BETTER POSITION TO RESUME THE INDIAN OCEAN TALKS IN LATE JANUARY OR EARLY FEBRUARY, GIVEN THE DEMANDS OTHER ARMS CONTROL

SUBJECTS ARE MAKING ON OFFICIALS OF BOTH OUR GOVERNMENTS. I WOULD VERY MUCH APPRECIATE YOUR THOUGHTS ON THIS.

- 3. IF YOU FEEL THAT POSTPONING ANY TALKS WOULD BE UNDESIRABLE, I WILL IN ANY EVENT BE IN GENEVA FOR THE CTB TALKS AND SALT DURING THE FIRST HALF OF DECEMBER, AND COULD MEET YOU THERE OR IN BERN FOR A RESTRICTED SESSION AT THAT TIME.
- 4. I LOOK FORWARD TO HAVING YOUR VIEWS. WITH BEST PERSONAL REGARDS, PAUL WARNKE. END TEXT. HABIB

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